

# NEWS and GOSSIP of WASHINGTON



## Rare Animals Are Added to the Washington Zoo

WASHINGTON.—From the almost impenetrable wilds of South America have been brought to the Washington Zoological gardens a number of specimens of fauna and fowl, regarded as among the most interesting and rare of the present collection. Though it is impracticable to take in many birds and beasts at the present time, due to the crowded accommodations, officials say the new specimens were admitted on account of their rarity and their experimental worth, in determining whether they can withstand this climate and thrive on the food the zoologists are prepared to give them.

Perhaps the oddest of the new acquisitions is a Venezuelan sloth, "as large as a toment," distinguished by the absence of teeth. The animal is described as inhabiting forests and feeding on the juices of fruits. It is a sluggish creature, and is a nocturnal prowler, seldom seen by day, as it hides in the hollows of the trees. Long claws and a soft coat of fur of protective coloring completes his characteristics. The animal was caught by William Feville, a collector of New York city, who makes periodical visits to the southern jungles in quest of animals to supply American zoos.

Another of the late additions is a Guiana weasel, slightly larger than the familiar American weasel. The possession of the latter completes a pair of these animals, as one was already in the local collection.

Other specimens supplied by Mr. Feville were a large number of birds from South America, all of them marked by luxuriant and beautiful plumage. Rarest of these are a pair of motmots, so called from the character of their cry. They are related to the American kingfisher, and are distinguished by a growth of tail feathers of unusual length. They inhabit the densest forests and feed on insects and lizards. Their plumage is green and reddish brown, relieved by a prominent blue band across the forehead.

Considerable doubt is felt among their new guardians as to whether they can be kept here, unused as they are to the food and climate of this part of the world. They are the first the local zoo has had, and are regarded as extremely rare birds.

## How Uncle Sam Got in Bad With Capital Woman

OUR UNCLE SAM is in bad with one woman in this town, and there may be others. This one particular woman—so particular that she had drawn her little three hundred out of a first mortgage to put it in postal savings, so that she could feel that she "needn't" worry, no matter what happened—this woman went over to the postal grating at the Avenue post office and found the window closed. The department had been removed to the new building next to Union station.

Her companion—another woman—accepted the transfer with the equanimity of one who has no savings to bother over.

"I don't mind going with you. The car here will take us right to the door."

But the postal woman had paused to make an estimate: "That means four car tickets, coming and going. And if I have to pay fare and lose so many minutes running to the other end of the city every time I want to add a couple of dollars to my account it will eat up the interest and cost more good working hours than I can afford. Which shows how stupid I was to sell that mortgage. Come along."

"All right. But we can't possibly walk it, you know. It's an awful distance to that new post office, and the doctor told me not to."

But the postal woman intended neither to walk nor ride to any new postal window.

"Sorry I've got to move that money again, but— Want to go with me to see Mr. Blank about a new mortgage?"

And the stone eagle chirped out to the flagpole one simple little word: "Swat!"

## Senator McCumber Sees Funny Side of Things

SENATOR PORTER JAMES McCUMBER of North Dakota has a keen sense of the ridiculous, though to look at the serious expression of his smooth-shaven face one would never suspect it. But if there is anything funny on the horizon he will see it, even though he has to borrow a marine glass.

In a fashionable photographer's studio in town is an exquisitely carved chair used much for the posing of celebrities of the feminine sex in evening dress. The top is surmounted by a richly carved angel bending forward in a graceful attitude. It is a beautiful piece of work, but scarcely appropriate for the setting in which to place a Tammany alderman.

One day McCumber went to the studio to attend to a bit of business, and on his way out passed the "operating room," in which place Charles W. Fairbanks, then the vice-president, sat as the victim. He was posed in this elaborate chair, and just over his tall form hovered the wooden angel in its airy attitude.

When McCumber went out he began to laugh, and a friend who saw him chuckling inquired the cause.

"Why, one of the richest sights I ever saw was just now up in Blank's photograph gallery," the senator replied, "for there sat Fairbanks looking as solemn as an owl in a big chair with an angel pecking at his bald spot."

## Moonlight Tango Under Monument a Capital Fad

SOCIETY folk of the nation's capital have at last found something new. It is the "moonlight tango," an outdoor affair, danced on the green sward surrounding the Washington monument. Here is the formula: One or two automobiles filled with women and their partners, dancing kind preferred. Add plenty of wraps to prevent dancers taking cold. One dash through the Speedway to a secluded spot on the Mall, where the headlights from the automobiles are used for illumination purposes. Spread laprobes carefully on the ground in Turkish fashion, for use after the dances. Use leather seats for tables. Carry full supply of grapejuice, lemonade, sandwiches and other refreshments. Turn on Victrola and tango. Several of these parties have been held recently. Congressional circles are all agog about the idea and it is hinted that the fad will even permeate into diplomatic and other circles.

The spot selected for the new dance is one of the most beautiful in Washington. Directly back of the White House is the wonderful Mall. It extends south of the executive mansion to the Potomac river, one or two miles. Beautiful drives skirt its boundaries.

All Washington is on wheels these days, so far as the younger portion of the population is concerned; in other words, the young folks are on skates. Every street that has a hill is being utilized for coasting. Twentieth street northwest is one of the best for this sport. Starting at Florida avenue, boys and girls take advantage of the drop in grade and come whizzing down the smooth asphalt.

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## NOT EVEN AN ACQUAINTANCE

American Girl Surely Had Reason for Complaint Against Impertinence of Accoster.

You remember how in the piping days of peace, when something simply had to be done to make talk, there was a hue and cry about American girls in Berlin and the dreadful things they did under pretense of studying music. Here is a story of one of them which the New York Evening Post Saturday Magazine's special war correspondent has sent over with the explanation that it was all he could get past the censor at this time. A Berlin paper reports that a quiet street in Charlottenburg was suddenly alarmed by shrill cries of "Police! Police!" A great crowd promptly collected about the person responsible for the disturbance, an excited young woman, obviously American.

"Arrest this man, officer," she said as soon as a policeman appeared. "I am Miss Ellington from Cincinnati, U. S. A., and he had the impertinence to speak to me."

The policeman, guided by the young woman's accusing finger, picked out the culprit.

"The man is a stranger to you?" he asked.

"An entire stranger," replied Miss Ellington. "I have only been taking violin lessons from him for six months."

## SKIN ITCHED AND BURNED

R. F. D. No. 1, Box 164, Bridgewater, N. C.—"I was suffering with a skin trouble which began after a spell of sickness six years ago. It was mostly on my body and I could not rest for the itching and burning. It began like a nettle rash, then it would break out in pimples all over me. I would sting and burn and itch all over and I scratched until I was almost raw. At times I could hardly bear anything to rub against the parts that were affected."

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## Go to Jerusalem to Die.

That Jewish immigrants have so well adapted themselves to local conditions in Jerusalem as to "practically monopolize a greater part of such trade as exists" is stated in a consular report on Jerusalem. It is impossible to give an exact estimate of the population of Jerusalem, and although it is believed that it figures at 110,000, 95,000 might perhaps be a more correct estimate. It is, roughly speaking, composed of 13,000 Christians, 12,000 Mohammedans and 70,000 Jews, many of whom are immigrants from Russia.

It is remarked that in spite of the emigration of many Jews to escape military service there has still been a marked increase in this section of the population, on account of the continuous influx of aged Jews, who come with the intention of ending their days in Palestine.

## An Exacting Leadership.

"I don't see why you should regard me as an enemy," said Senator Sorghum. "I have frequently shouted 'Votes for women.'"

"Yes," replied the resolute propagandist; "but you don't shout loud enough."

## Not That.

"Y' say your wife is rusticated?"

"Hardly that. I could rusticate on \$15 a week easy, but it costs her \$75."

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If ignorance were bliss most of us should be so happy we would choke.

## TOOK SPEECH IN THE DARK

Stenographer Says It Was Not Difficult to Follow Remarks of "Uncle Joe."

"Sometimes a man gets a reputation that is undeserved," said Sam Gray, a member of the stenographic corps of the house of representatives, at the Willard, according to the Washington Post. "It happened to me a few years ago when I was traveling with former Speaker Cannon in a political campaign. 'Uncle Joe' made a lot of speeches in that particular campaign, and I was there to make a stenographic report and transcript of them. In one western city the speaker was talking to a tremendous crowd of people, when suddenly, without warning, the electric lights went out, leaving the house in total darkness."

"For fifteen minutes, perhaps, the speaker talked on in the darkness. It was up to me, of course, to make a report of his speech, and I did. Naturally, I had to feel my way, and I made my notes unusually large, so I would have no trouble in reading them. When the lights were restored I was right there with the speaker, and made an accurate transcript of his speech. Some of the newspaper boys heard of the story and published it as a marvelous feat."

"The fact is, it was not at all difficult to follow the former speaker. He is not a rapid talker, and I had no trouble in taking his remarks."

## Dangers to the Eye.

Mr. Louis Bell, the electrical illuminating expert, and Dr. F. H. Verhoeff, an eye specialist, have published in Science their opinion that the alleged dangers to the eye from ultraviolet radiation of sunlight and various artificial lights amount to nothing at all. They admit that there have been many "sensational attacks" upon modern illuminants as dangerous by reason of injurious effects of ultraviolet or actinic rays, but these have "entirely neglected any quantitative relation between the radiation and its supposed pathological effects." Very little of these rays can penetrate the cornea, and the crystalline lens cuts off completely those that struggle through toward the retina. Protective glasses are useful only, they conclude, in cutting off dazzling lights and undue heat.

## The New Language.

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"Gi tada, aci flaw? (Good morning, how are you?)"

"Sito ee, abi lie. (Thank you, I am well.)"

"Asi we resk abo? (Do you understand me?)"

We do not; but api mugeal hab awoz mebu? How many legs has a lobster?—New York Sun.

## Watermen and Uniforms.

Watermen—who were also firemen—enjoy the distinction of being the first public servants who ever wore a uniform. "Long before our army and navy adopted any distinguishing garb," writes Mr. Guy Nickalls, "Thames watermen were known by their uniform and badge, a plaited coat, knee breeches and stockings and hat, according to fashion, but always a plate on the arm, either of the Waterman's hall to denote that they had the freedom of the river and were licensed, or the badge of their employer. Any person rowing or working any boat, wherry or other vessel, who had not served seven years as apprentice, incurred a penalty of £10."—London Chronicle.

## Keeping Up With Lizzie.

"It is the upkeep that makes marriage costly."

"Unless you have fashionable neighbors, in which case it is the keep up."

## WHAT HE REALLY DID SAY

Remark Might Almost Be Construed as a Slur on a Most Noble Profession.

One morning Gifford met his old friend, Hall. After they had greeted they did under pretense of studying each other, Gifford said:

"Say, Will, I heard today that your son, Thomas, was an undertaker. I thought you told me he was a physician."

"Oh, no," replied Hall, positively, "I never told you that."

"I don't like to contradict you, old friend," insisted Gifford, "but, really, I'm positive you did say so."

"No, you probably misunderstood me," explained Hall, "I told you he followed the medical profession."—Exchange.

## Przemysl.

We are indebted to a Pittsburgh contemporary, educated in a place where the smelting of races is going on, for the proper pronunciation of that Galician stronghold. It is to hold a "p" between your teeth while pronouncing "zhem," and at the psychological moment hook a "p" in the outer hook of the "z." Thus "Pzhem-is-l." A cinch.—Syracuse Post-Standard.

The average woman likes to talk about her neighbors almost as well as the average man likes to talk about himself.

## What a Cold Can Do

Many a fatal case of kidney disease starts from a simple cold or chill. Congestion clogs and weakens the kidneys, little by little, until the kidneys are unable to perform their function, and cause backache, rheumatic pain, headache and urinary disorders.

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